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SUBJ: CHATCHAI ON RECOGNITION OF THE PRG

FOREIGN MINISTER CHATCHAI CHUNHAWAN HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE
APRIL 30. THE FOLLOWING IS AN UNOFFICIAL USIS TRANSLATION OF
HIS REMARKS ON RECOGNITION OF THE PRG:

"REPORTER: BEFORE THE FALL OF CAMBODIA, WE ANNOUNCED OUR
POLICY AND ATTITUDE - THAT WE WOULD RECOGNIZE THE NEW CAMBO-
DIAN GOVERNMENT.

CHATCHAI: YES?

REPORTER: NOW THAT VIETNAM HAS FALLEN, WILL WE IMPLEMENT
THE SAME POLICY?

CHATCHAI: THE SAME. AS IS GENERALLY KNOWN, WE RECOGNIZE THE
FACT THAT VIETNAM IS A COUNTRY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. SINCE WE HAVE
BEEN NEIGHBORS DATING BACK TO ANCIENT TIMES, WE MUST
RECOGNIZE IT. WHEN A GOVERNMENT IS SET UP TO GOVERN THE
COUNTRY, WE MUST EXTEND RECOGNITION TO IT. WE HAVE NOT
WITHDRAWN OUR EMBASSY; IT STILL REMAINS THERE AND FRIENDLY
RELATIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED. VIETNAM IS CHANGING ITS GOVERNMENT
LEADERS ONLY; THERE SHOULD BE NO PROBLEM AT ALL. WE HAVE CHANGED
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OUR GOVERNMENT ALSO, BY THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL ELECTION. ITS

GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN CHANGED ANOTHER WAY BUT IT IS THE SAME."
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